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LETTER DATED 9 JUNE 1993 FROM THE REPRESENTATIVES OF FRANCE, SPAIN AND THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

We have the honour to bring to your attention the French and English texts of the Declaration on Former Yugoslavia, adopted by the European Community and its member States on 8 June 1993.

We should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

[Original: English and French]

Declaration on Former Yugoslavia

(Luxembourg, 8 June 1993)

"The Community and its member States pledge themselves to intensify efforts to achieve a lasting and equitable peace in former Yugoslavia in close cooperation with the rest of the international community. In this context, the Community and its member States are looking forward to meeting U.S. Secretary of State, Warren Christopher, in Luxembourg on 9 June 1993.

The Vance-Owen peace plan remains the centrepiece of EC strategy for peace in Bosnia-Herzegovina. There is no feasible alternative to the Vance-Owen peace plan as the basis for reaching a durable political solution based on the principles agreed by all at the London conference, including the sovereignty of the Republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina, the inviolability of its territorial integrity, respect for its pluralist character, and the inadmissibility of the acquisition of territory by force. Lord Owen and Thorvald Stoltenberg, who have the authority to pursue implementation of the Vance-Owen peace plan through contacts with the parties, have our full confidence and support in this matter.

The Community and its member States welcome the measures developed and supported by the Community and its member States in the joint action programme agreed on 22 May 1993 in Washington by the foreign ministers of five members of the Security Council, with the aim of preparing the ground for the implementation of the Vance-Owen peace plan. They attach importance to the new commitments of the United States and Russia in this task.

The Community and its member States lend their full support to SCR 836 on safe areas, which has as its immediate objective the protection of lives now threatened by aggressive military action, and which constitutes a first step in the comprehensive implementation of the Vance-Owen peace plan. Implementation of this resolution requires additional troops and funding, and the Community and its member States support the efforts of the UNSG to this end with other members of the international community.

The sanctions imposed by the United Nations Security Council against Serbia/Montenegro and the Bosnian Serbs will be rigorously enforced until the conditions in the relevant UNSC resolutions for their lifting have been met. The Community and its member States will continue to monitor closely the situation in the Krajina, as well as any Croatian acts in contravention of the Vance-Owen peace plan in Bosnia-Herzegovina. They will initiate restrictive measures against Croatia if the situation so requires. They insist that all parties protect the lives and safety of relief personnel and let relief convoys pass unimpeded. The Community and its member States are concerned about a possible spillover of the conflict. They support a substantial increase in the preventive international presence in Kosovo and the former Yugoslav republic of Macedonia.

The Community and its member States reaffirm that options for new and tougher measures must be kept open."